

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS
TEXARKANA DIVISION

DEXON COMPUTER, INC. §
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V. § CIVIL NO. 5:55cv53
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CISCO SYSTEMS, INC. §

MINUTES FOR JURY SELECTION AND FIRST DAY OF TRIAL
HELD BEFORE JUDGE ROBERT W. SCHROEDER III
JANUARY 22, 2024

OPEN: 8:57 a.m. ADJOURN: 5:09 p.m.

ATTORNEYS FOR PLAINTIFF: Bo Davis, David Reichenberg and Christian Hurt

ATTORNEYS FOR DEFENDANT: Jennifer Doan, Deron Dacus, Aaron Panner and Andrew Goldsmith

LAW CLERK: Michael Aragon

COURTROOM DEPUTY: Betty Schroeder

COURT REPORTER: Shelly Holmes

8:57 a.m. Case called; parties; Court welcomes everyone, gives preliminary comments

9:17 a.m. Panel members introduce themselves

9:44 a.m. Mr. Bo Davis introduces himself, client, co-counsel and witnesses; Court questions panel members regarding knowing anyone mentioned by Mr. Davis; no response

9:48 a.m. Ms. Jennifer Doan introduces herself, client, co-counsel and witnesses; Court questions panel members regarding knowing anyone mentioned by Ms. Doan; responses from panel

9:55 a.m. Court continues with voir dire

10:18 a.m. Break

10:31 a.m. Mr. Davis begins voir dire for Plaintiff

11:03 a.m. Ms. Doan begins voir dire for Defendant

11:35 a.m. Bench conference

11:36 a.m. Court instructs one panel member to remain in the courtroom for additional questioning; remaining panel members excused for a break

11:38 a.m. Court further questions the panel member regarding his hardship; panel member released

11:40 a.m. Parties also agree that panel member #22 may be excused; no cause challenges from either party

11:41 a.m. Recess

11:56 a.m. Outside the presence of the jury panel, Court and parties discuss strike lists; all parties are in agreement of jury selected

11:57 a.m. Panel members seated

11:58 a.m. Court advises that a jury has been selected; jury members called and seated; Court thanks those not selected and releases those not selected

12:00 p.m. Jury sworn in; Court gives brief instructions to the jury; jury released for lunch

12:08 p.m. Outside the presence of the jury, Mr. Christian Hurt argues Plaintiff's objection to slides in Defendant's opening statement; Mr. Deron Dacus responds; Court will allow use of slides;

12:12 p.m. Recess

1:00 p.m. In Chambers conference regarding problem with first juror

1:18 p.m. Jury seated

1:19 p.m. Court gives preliminary instructions to the jury

1:54 p.m. Mr. Davis begins opening statement for Plaintiff

2:24 p.m. Mr. Dacus begins opening statement for Defendant

2:56 p.m. Break

3:12 p.m. Jury seated

3:14 p.m. Both parties invoke the rule

3:15 p.m. Mr. Davis calls Steve O'Neil; witness sworn in

3:16 p.m. Mr. Christian Hurt begins direct examination of Mr. O'Neil

4:01 p.m. Objection by Mr. Dacus; Court - lay a foundation

4:07 p.m. Bench conference

4:12 p.m. Mr. Dacus begins cross examination of Mr. O'Neil

4:21 p.m. Bench conference

4:22 p.m. Mr. Dacus continues with cross examination of Mr. O'Neil

4:59 p.m. Bench conference

5:00 p.m. Mr. Dacus continues with cross examination of Mr. O'Neil

5:01 p.m. Jury excused for the evening

5:04 p.m. Outside the presence of the jury, Court and parties discuss last sidebar; Mr. Dacus questions the Court regarding sequestering the witness from the lawyers since he is on cross; Court responds; Court questions the parties regarding deposition designations; Mr. Ty Wilson responds; Court responds

5:09 p.m. Recess